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Expedited Procedure Requested  
Examining Group 2823

PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 04329.2622

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Gaku MINAMIHABA, et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2823  
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Serial No.: 09/932,943 ) Examiner: Lee, Hsien Ming  
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Filed: August 21, 2001 )  
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For: SLURRY FOR CHEMICAL )  
MECHANICAL POLISHING AND )  
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING )  
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the Final Office Action of April 25, 2003, with a period for response  
extending through July 25, 2003, Applicants propose amending the application as follows.  
Applicants also respectfully request the Examiner's reconsideration in view of remarks that  
follow:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 18 and 23, as follows:

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